

with the investigation he directed them to proceed further, with particular reference to learning how far the department had been used in the past for the purpose of buying political favors. Unless those who know are greatly mistaken an investigation along this line is going to produce some results. It was generally understood that Mr. McKinley made Perry S. Smith first assistant postmaster-general in order to have in the department a man whom he could rely upon in the matter of distributing patronage in payment of political promises.

The Republican politicians think Mr. Roosevelt had better ease up in the matter of investigations. But those of the general public who know of the way in which the business of the department is being conducted are backing the President and Assistant Postmaster-General Wynne, who are for pushing the probe.

It is generally believed that the President will convene Congress in extra session on Monday, November 30. There is practically no doubt of this, and the practical business of the department is being ordered. This has been more than once stated in this correspondence, but a Virginia Congressman expressed the opinion here last week that Congress would not meet until the date for the regular session—the first Monday in December.

**CAPITOL RENOVATION.**

The Capitol will be generally renovated before Congress convenes again. At the last session \$500,000 was appropriated for the purpose of improvements and repairs. The House document room is already being remodeled, and also cases will take the place of the old wooden shelves. New tiling will be put down in the House lobby and the rotunda, and a considerable sum will be spent in decorating. The work will be done by contract. The work is to be done under the supervision of Mr. Woods, superintendent of the Capitol. Mr. Woods will also have charge of the erection of the new office building for the House of Representatives. Work on the building will be commenced this spring or summer. The cost of the new building is \$1,000,000. The last session to the cost of the building.

Secretary Shaw is one of the most all-around men who has ever held a Cabinet portfolio. He is a lawyer, an expert in the Treasury, he has shown himself to be a financier, he has made many stump speeches, has spoken at all sorts of banquets and public dinners since he became Secretary of the Treasury, and he has been the chief speaker at the celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the Calvary Baptist Sunday-school, of this city. He made a very fine address.

Somebody stole the collection amounting to between \$1,000 and \$2,000, at the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church, in this city. The stewards passed the plates and turned over the proceeds to the treasurer of the church. This gentleman placed the money in a bag, which he placed in his pocket. When he went to look for it after the services it was gone. There was no clue as to the thief.

Mr. John A. Nichols, a well known young man of Prince William county, and Miss Mary Barclay Moon, of Albemarle county, were married here yesterday.

**SWEEPING CHANGES.**

It is learned to-night that there will probably be a number of sweeping changes made in the Treasury Department soon as the result of an investigation ordered by Secretary Shaw.

The Secretary is understood to be resolved upon a general shake-up of customs officials. There are now pending charges against a number of steamboat inspectors, and already a number have been removed.

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First Games of the Series Played at the Westmoreland.

The first games of the series of the pool match between the Westmoreland and Commonwealth Clubs was played last night at the latter club, and some fine work was returned. The result was as follows:

W. Gordon McCabe, Jr., 125; J. W. Talbot, 101.

Paul O'Grady, 76; H. A. Williams, 125.

Stewart Jones, 109; W. C. Lefebvre, 125.

Percy Bosher, 125; George Willis, 82.

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## ORDNUNG WON THE HANDICAP

Landed Under the Wire a Head in Front of Harry New.

(By Associated Press.)

MEMPHIS, TENN., March 30.—The Montgomery Handicap, the first all-aged stake of the year, was won this afternoon by John W. Schorr's aged chestnut gelding Ordnung, in a driving finish, with Harry New, Wilful, the New Orleans Derby winner, finished third, two lengths away. McChesney, the odd-on favorite, was out of the race. One of the largest crowds ever seen at the local track was on hand when the handicap was called.

Ordung used the whip freely on the favorite on the start, but he did not respond, and nowhere in the journey did he appear prominent. Ordnung was well handled by Bullman, made all the running and led into the stretch by half a length. Here he was challenged by Harry New, and the spirited finish Ordung won by a head. The three-year-old Wilful ran a surprisingly good race, and coming from behind, finished third.

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**EIGHTEEN ARRESTED FOR INTENT TO KILL**

(By Associated Press.)

WATERBURY, CONN., March 30.—Eighteen men, placed under arrest on the charge of assault with intent to kill, was the record of activity on the part of the police to-day in their efforts to suppress the outbreak of some of the outbreaks of violence which have occurred since the beginning of the strike of motormen and conductors of the Connecticut Railway and Lighting Company eleven weeks ago.

**TO MAKE THE DEALERS GIVE A LONG TON**

Hon. T. H. Edwards, of West Point, has in a few days offer in the House, a bill to regulate the weight of coal sold by the merchants to the consumers.

The object of the bill is to require the merchant to give 2,240 pounds of coal instead of 2,000 for a ton. Mr. Edwards claims that a number of States have already adopted such a law, and that it would be of great benefit to Virginia people, especially to those in cities.

The bill will likely provoke strong opposition from the coal dealers, who are said to be satisfied with the present law.

## RACES WERE RUN IN A DRIVING RAIN

Two Favorites, Two Second Choices and Two Outsiders Got Honors.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 30.—The races at Benning to-day were run in a driving rain. The track was a sea of mud. Two favorites, two second choices and two outsiders captured the events. Summary:

First race—five furlongs—Aholia (3 to 1) first, Gloria (2 to 1) second, Midnight Chimes (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:04.

Second race—half mile—Tormagant (3 to 1) first, Wood Shade (8 to 1) second, May Holiday (3 to 1) third. Time, 55.

Third race—four and a half furlongs—Graziuso (6 to 1) first, Circulator (7 to 1) second, Spring (4 to 1) third. Time, 1:32.

Fourth race—six and a half furlongs—Mrs. Frank Foster (4 to 1) first, Musical Slipper (4 to 1) even second, Saffera (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:26.

Fifth race—seven furlongs—Daly (3 to 1) first, Examiner (10 to 1) second, Yellow Tail (even) third. Time, 1:31.

Sixth race—mile and sixty yards—Molter Singer (2 to 1) first, Ben Hart (4 to 1) even second, Moderator (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:50.

**STRANGE TALE TOLD BY MAN IN FLORIDA**

(By Associated Press.)

PALATKA, FLA., March 30.—A white man named Wood, who claimed to be one of the labor organizers who received threatening letters at Tampa some three weeks ago, was shot in the left arm while walking on the Heights near here. No one saw the shooting and there is no evidence obtainable, except Wood's statement.

He says he reached this place this morning, and when walking on the outskirts was accosted by a white man and a negro, who offered to show him his way to a grave he was looking for. When they had reached the spot, they knocked him down and began shooting at him, one ball penetrating him arm and another breaking his watch. He returned the fire and they fled.

**PEABODY TRUSTEES TO MEET IN NEW YORK TODAY**

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, March 30.—There will be a meeting of the directors of the Peabody Fund, attended by J. Pierpont Morgan, Hoke Smith, of Atlanta, Ga.; Richard Olney, and Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, at the Fifth Avenue Hotel to-morrow evening to consider the advisability of establishing a teachers' college in the South, to be maintained from surplus revenues of the Peabody Fund. Mr. Smith arrived at the Fifth Avenue to-night.

**NO MATCH FOR O'BRIEN.**

(By Associated Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 30.—"Jack" O'Brien, of this city, to-night outpointed Joe Chynskyn in a six-round bout at the Washington Sporting Club. Chynskyn was no match for O'Brien, whose failure to score a knockout was due to the lack of force behind his blows.

**DEATHS OF ADAY.**

(By Associated Press.)

MOBILE, ALA., March 30.—Dr. Gorenvew Owens, one of the best known physicians of the South and considered an authority on obstetrics, is dead, aged sixty-nine.

Mrs. Joseph E. Willard left last night for New York to consult a specialist about the health of her little daughter.

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## LOVE FEAST OF AGENTS

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LUNCHEON AT MURPHY'S

Elegant Menu by Speeches from the Second Vice-President, Messrs. Swineford, Danner and Others.

The Virginia and North Carolina agents of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States had a love-feast at Murphy's Hotel yesterday afternoon, on the occasion of the visit of Second Vice-President Gage E. Tarbell and other officers of this great company of underwriters, which claims to be the strongest in the world.

The occasion was one of more than usual importance and enjoyment to all present. The menu was excellent, the speeches of Mr. Tarbell, Dr. W. R. Brown, chief physician of the company; Messrs. Howard Swineford and F. W. Danner, of Richmond, and all the rest, including Miss Armand, the secretary of Mr. Tarbell, were eloquent and inspiring, and the best humor and good fellowship prevailed.

The cordialties closed with the notable fact that the Virginia and North Carolina agents pledged themselves to Mr. Tarbell that they would write three millions of dollars' worth of insurance during the present year in the great effort of the company to write three hundred and fifty millions in 1908, against two hundred and eighty millions in 1907.

**FINIS LOOKING FELLOWS.**

The agents began to assemble in the parlor of Murphy's annex about 1 o'clock in the afternoon. In a short while about eighty-five had come, representing every town and city in Virginia and North Carolina. These were the hosts, and the luncheon had been arranged by Messrs.

Swineford and Danner, district agents, whose combined territory embraces the entire States of Virginia and North Carolina. The guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Tarbell, Dr. Brown, of New York; Mr. Henry Rosenfeld and Miss Armand, of New York.

Those who were at the elegant luncheon, which began to be served at 1:30, were Mr. Tarbell, Henry Rosenfeld, Mr. Schmidt, Mrs. Tarbell, Miss Armand, Major A. Myers, H. L. Myers, Dr. Nash, of Norfolk; Howard Swineford, Oscar Swineford, Dr. J. N. Upshur, Dr. Frank Upshur, Dr. A. L. Wellford, Messrs. Frank V. Danner, W. A. Danner, W. A. Richardson, G. E. Wilkes, W. L. White, M. D. Hart, W. H. Sadler, C. E. Twigg, H. H. Kasprovec, J. H. Hall, W. W. Wright, Clarke, W. E. Duncan, E. A. Shields, McQueen, John W. Avery, Charles H. Heaton, Riddick, Gordon, Yenties, E. A. Swineford, Richmond; Henry H. Stelner, Norfolk; F. W. Stokes, Roxboro, N. C.; E. H. Brown, Salisbury; W. B. Upshur, Winston; G. D. Blizell, Goldsboro; J. W. Ashby, Dr. J. C. Gettys, Mt. Airy, N. C.; W. J. Wingate, Wake Forest, N. C.; E. E. Emerson, Leesville, N. C.; L. B. Jones, High Point, N. C.; W. S.

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**OBITUARY.**

**George M. Gaubert.**

Mr. George M. Gaubert died Sunday morning at his home, No. 2807 East Broad Street. Mr. Gaubert was about forty-five years of age. For the past fifteen years he had resided in Richmond. At one time he was manager of Warner Moore's establishment; later he was engaged in the cooperage business. He is survived by his widow.

The remains were taken at noon yesterday to Gardner, Maine, where the interment will be made.

**Mrs. Martha V. Atkinson.**

The death of Mrs. Martha Virginia Atkinson occurred at 6 o'clock Sunday morning at her home, No. 419 North Twenty-sixth Street. She was the wife of Mr. W. T. Atkinson, and was forty-one years of age. The funeral will take place at 4 o'clock this afternoon, from the Pine-Street Baptist Church.

**Edward Bailey Mare.**

Edward Bailey, the thirteen-year-old son of Mrs. Walter Mare, died at 11:45 o'clock Sunday night at the home of his parents, No. 708 China Street. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the Pine-Street Baptist Church.

**Thomas C. Fell.**

Mr. Thomas C. Fell, a well-known Richmond printer and a member of the Typographical Union, died in this city March 29th, in the South. He was a native of Maine, and was seventy years of age. The remains were forwarded to Norfolk for burial.

**Mr. Osborne's Funeral.**

The funeral of Mr. Elbert K. P. Osborne was held yesterday afternoon, and all that was mortal of the unfortunate young man, was laid to rest in Hollywood. The funeral had been postponed from Sunday to allow Mr. Osborne's family to reach this city. Of his immediate family, those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Osborne, his brother, Mr. Lloyd Osborne, who came from Whitmore, S. C.; his father-in-law, Mr. Charles M. Wallace, and his brothers-in-law, Hon. Charles M. Wallace, Jr., and Mr. Jefferson Wallace. Mrs. Osborne, owing to her illness, was unable to go to the cemetery.

A pathetic incident was the sending of a bunch of flowers from the grave of Mr. Osborne's mother, near Charlotte, N. C., which arrived at the house, shortly after the funeral procession had gone. These will be placed on his grave this morning.

**M. B. Carrington.**

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LYNCHBURG, VA., March 30.—Mr. R. Carrington left this afternoon for Norfolk, Va., where he was summoned by a telegram announcing the death last night, after a few days' illness, of his brother, Mr. Matthew Band Carrington, aged thirty-four. Deceased about five years ago was a resident of

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